REMARKS

The claims have been amended to recite a relief "surface" in order to avoid

the rejection based upon indefiniteness.

The claims stand rejected over Satran et al. '672, the rejection asserting that

Satran et al. discloses a relief face generally at 19 or 20 in Fig. 4. The specification

of Satran et al. employs the numerals 19, 20 to describe cutting edges. If the Official

action was intended to assert that the surface 15 constitutes a relief surface, then

attention is directed to column 4, lines 50-51 of Satran et al. which describes the

surface 15 as a rake surface (i.e., a chip surface along which the chips flow). The

presently claimed invention is markedly different, because the surface 8a is a relief

surface, not a rake surface. Also, in the present invention, the side surface 4 is the

rake surface along which the chips will flow, whereas the corresponding surface in

Satran et al. is a relief surface.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the present claims distinguish patentably over

Satran et al.

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